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HOP CULTURE.—The following letter gives an account of the Hop Culture in a portion of the State of New York: The County of Oswego, which Cooperstown is the capital, occupies, together with the adjoining counties of Schenectady on the East, and Madison on the West, the great hop growing region of the United States. No territory of equal extent in the country has, since the hop culture was introduced, about thirty years ago, produced more hops than this. In 1845, 168,605 pounds were produced. From this small amount there was an increase to 3,122,258 pounds in 1855. This amount was produced from 1,432 acres. The increase, since that time, has been considerable, until two or three years past. Hops are produced for exportation in this country, yet considerable quantities are exported. Their culture, as heretofore carried on, is generally acknowledged to be greatly detrimental to the national interests of the community, even those who engage in it most extensively. With many farmers it amounts to a kind of mania, causing them to neglect the cultivation of much more important crops. The "hop-picking" season is now over in this vicinity. This usually begins about the first of September, and lasts two or three weeks. A great many hands are employed, and good wages are paid. The hops, generally, are picked from 10 to 15 feet in height, and are picked just before they become ripe enough to fall off easily. The poles are taken up, vine and all, and laid across long narrow boxes containing about ten bushels, when a party of men and children gather round and strip them of their orangey burden. The hops are then carefully dried in dry houses built for the purpose, then pressed and put up in bales of 50 or 600 pounds weight, when they are ready for the market. The close of the "hop-picking" is usually celebrated by a dance and a general "good time." Last year was a very poor season for hops, owing to the late spring and a short season. There was only about a quarter of a crop. This year the yield has been better, from half to two thirds of the usual crop. Some idea of the hop culture may be formed from the following figures: It requires about 225 per acre for roots, of which several varieties are sown. Good poles, which are leaning to be green, cost from \$12 to \$20 per acre. About 8,000 of these are required for an acre, two for each plant and at right angles with each other. One thousand pounds to the acre are considered a fair yield of hops. They are bringing fifty cents per pound this year; last year they were as high as eighty cents. As an example of what may be made from the hop culture, I learn that a gentleman in Clarksville, six miles east of Cooperstown, has cleared, near this season, some \$16,000 from his acres of hops.

THE GRAVES OF KINGS.—A correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette writes: "Wandering through France, I found myself a short time in the famous old town of Amiens. The city, once famous, has gone to rack and ruin; its spires are transformed into a chaotic mass of ruins. The graves of the kings have been found, but there are no more bones to be found, but there are still preserved in a dark corner of the convent chapel, a piece with the dust and bones of Henry II. and Eleanor of Aquitaine, the best preserved of all—Isabel of Angoulême, the wife of John. Would it not be a magnificent act of the French Emperor to have them ever to our Government? As being authenticated by the bones, they would be a valuable addition to the record of our history."

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FOUNDERS, MACHINISTS, &c.

GAS AND STEAM FITTING.

WM. COGAN,

15, NORTH ROYAL STREET,

Has constantly on hand a large and complete assortment of

CHAIR DELIERS,

BRACKETS,

HARPS,

PENDENTS,

STATIONARY AND PORTABLE DROP

LIGHTS IN VARIETY.

PHOTOGRAPH,

MICA,

and other SHADES;

CUT, GROUND AND PLAIN GLASSES;

ALSO,

STEAM PIPE, GAGES, COCKS, VALVES,

and everything in the Steam Fitting Line.

Public Buildings and Dwellings furnished and fitted up with Gas in the most substantial and elegant manner.

Steam Work for Factories, Mills, &c., promptly and faithfully executed; all at prices which will give satisfaction.

WILLIAM S. MOORE,

MACHINIST.

Corner Royal & Wilkes st. & No. 65, Union st.,

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

Is prepared to execute orders for STEAM

ENGINES, MILL GEARING, ORNAMENTAL

RAILROAD, and MACHINE WORK of

every description.

Castings made at short notice, and on

reasonable terms.

C. H. COLLINS & CO.,

IRON & BRASS FOUNDERS,

Cor. Royal & Wilkes st., Alexandria, Va.

(C. S. Jamieson's old stand.)

Are prepared to execute orders for CASTINGS

of every description.

Country orders solicited, and promptly

attended to.

PHILIP PARK,

PRACTICAL PLUMBER,

N. E. corner Prince and Pitt streets.

The oldest and best established PLUMBING

ESTABLISHMENT in the city. All work

done with dispatch, and in the most durable

and workmanlike manner.

Satisfaction guaranteed.

JOBBING done at short notice, and by him-

self, or the most experienced workmen.

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COURT NOTICES.

VIRGINIA.—At rules held in the Clerk's

Office of the County Court of Alexandria

county, on the 3rd day of September, 1866, William

F. Faggett, plaintiff, against Samuel H. De-

vaughn, defendant. In debt, and an attachment.

The object of this suit is to recover of the

defendant forty-six dollars and fifty cents, with

interest thereon from the 15th day of June, 1861,

BOOKS, STATIONERY, &c.

BLANK BOOKS, PAPER

AND STATIONERY.

I wish it distinctly understood and remem-

bered, that, in addition to my Auction and

Commission Business, (simply an auxiliary ap-

pendage,) I have made, and shall continue to make,

additions to my stock of

WRITING PAPERS,

BLANK BOOKS,

ENVELOPES,

AND MISCELLANEOUS STATIONERY.

And design making these the leading articles

and prominent feature of my future operations

in business, wholesale and retail, cheap, for

cash only. **JOHN H. PARROTT,**

S. W. corner of King and Water streets,

Alexandria, Va.

N. B.—In addition to the above, I wish it

known and remembered, that I have charge

of the sheet music in Virginia, if not in

the South, and an addition to it every few

days. All orders, including cash, will be promptly

attended to, and sent by mail or otherwise, free

of charge.

Liberal discounts made to schools and music

teachers. [sep 1-4] **J. H. P.**

BOOTS & SHOES.

74 KING STREET, 74

CROSS' OLD STAND.

The undersigned has leased the new and

handsomely fitted store, No. 74, King street,

(Cross' old stand,) where he has opened, and

will keep constantly on hand, an elegant as-

sortment of

LADIES', GENTS',

BOYS' MISSES, AND

CHILDREN'S BOOTS & SHOES,

of the very best make and latest styles, which

will be sold at the lowest cash prices.

Thankful for the patronage he has heretofore

received, he earnestly solicits a continuance of

the same, and hopes, by strict observance to

his business, to merit the favor of his fellow-ci-

zens. **W. B. WADDEY,**

BOOTS & SHOES AT LOW PRICES.

The undersigned would inform his friends

and the public that he is determined to keep an

assortment of **BOOTS & SHOES** in all their

varieties; and furthermore that he is deter-

mined to sell at as low figures as they can be

obtained in the city of New York. He would call

attention to his present stock, embracing every

article kept in a first-class store, all of which he is

disposing of at greatly reduced prices.

J. T. EVANS,

No. 80, King street.

COURT NOTICES.

VIRGINIA.—At rules held in the Clerk's

DRY GOODS, FANCY, &c.

CHARLES W. GREEN,

DEALER IN

FOREIGN & DOMESTIC FANCY GOODS,

NOTIONS, DRY GOODS,

DRESS TRIMMINGS, LADIES'

FURNISHING GOODS,

WHITE GOODS,

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

OIL CLOTHS, &c., &c.

AGENT FOR

WHEELER & WILSON'S

SEWING MACHINES.

Would respectfully solicit an examination of

stock.

No. 19, NORTH FAIRFAX STREET,

IN MANSION HOUSE BUILDING,

MARG—14

TO MERCHANTS.

THE MT. VERNON COTTON MILL,

OF ALEXANDRIA, AND

HOLSTON WOOLLEN MILLS,

OF SMYTH COUNTY, VIRGINIA,

Are now in successful operation, manufacturing

4-4 BROWN COTTONS,

ALL WOOL CASSIMERES,

SATINETTES,

BLANKETS, &c., &c.

These goods will be successfully kept in du-

rability, texture, finish and style, with goods

manufactured in any other section of the country,

and will be sold at the lowest manufacturers' prices.

As these goods are a home enterprise, I need

not say that we fully anticipate a liberal support

from the people of this State. Orders from

dealers are respectfully solicited.

WOOL will be taken in exchange for

Goods.

JAMES

Gen'l. Agent, Alexandria, Va.

MRS. C. L. SIMPSON,

FASHIONABLE MILLINER,

No. 9, SOUTH COLUMBUS STREET.

Having just returned from New York, she is

now prepared to offer to the ladies of Alexan-

dria, a cheaper, and finer assortment of

RIBBONS,

FLOWERS,

SILKS

AND CRAPES,

than she has ever offered before. Also, all the

different styles of **STRAW GOODS**, including

the GIPSIES, which are very beautiful, and

of which she would call your earliest attention.

Particular attention will be paid to Altering,

Bleaching, Dyeing, and Pressing Straw Bonnets

and Hats. **mar 30-4**

CLOTHING, &c.

WILLIAM MURRAY,

MERCHANT TAILOR,

PROFESSIONAL.

DR. J. P. O'DANIEL,

DENTIST.

Will be at Mrs. Greenaway's, on St. Asaph

street, near Prince, on Wednesday of each

week, from 9 to 5 P. M. **sep 26-1m**

JOHN S. CHAPMAN,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

Corner Prince and Royal Streets,

ALEXANDRIA, VA. **sep 27-14**

LUTHER D. HARRISON,

AUCTIONEER.

Prompt attention given to sales of Real Es-

tate, Personal Property, General Merchandise,

&c. Residence S. E. corner of Queen and Fair-

fax streets. **sep 21-1m**

CHARLES E. SINCLAIR,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

BRACKETS, PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA.

Will attend the Courts of Prince William,

Fairfax and Alexandria. **sep 15-4**

GEORGE W. BENT,

C. W. WATKINS

BRENT & WATKINS, ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

Office, 127, King street, in the Insurance

Building. **sep 15-4**

NOTICE.—ROBERT I. SMITH, ATTOR-

NEY AT LAW AND NOTARY PUBLIC,

has opened his office at Phoenix Hall, where he

may be found from 8 a. m., to 6 p. m., daily.

aug 10-4

LAWRENCE R. TAYLOR,

ATTORNEY AT LAW.

No. 114, Prince street, east of the Post Office

sep 30-4

JULIUS DIENELT,

DENTIST.

No. 115, PRINCE STREET.

(Four doors below Washington street.)

aug 31-4

GROCERIES & PROVISIONS.

H. W. LOOMIS,

DEALER IN

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS,

PINE TEAS, FLOUR, FEED, &c.,

No. 20, KING STREET, CORNER COLUMBUS

STREET.

Constantly on hand the choice brands of

Segars and Tobacco; also, a fine assortment of

STATIONERY AND NOTIONS.